(ii) that, in the innumerable *nischayapatrams* executed among the members of Nayar *tarwads* prior to 1100, these *Kandukrishi* lands had also been partitioned among the branches and thus possession had been transferred from one holder to another; and

(iii) that in Kuttanad, these *Kandukrishi* lands form the chief source of income to several families and that the contention of the *karanavans*, if accepted, would work serious injury to the interests of junior members; and

(*d*) whether they will consider the seriousness of the issue involved and pronounce their well-considered decision on the question without further delay?

**MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR** (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 11.

(*c*) (i) the Government are not aware.

(ii) Yes.

(iii) The information in the first part of the question is noted. The latter part does not arise in view of the answer to part (*c*) (i).

(*d*) The question received the consideration of Government and they have decided that, in the best interests of *Kandukrishi* lands, partition of such holdings cannot be allowed.

*The Kanapattom Bill.*

60. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): With reference to the answer to my interpellation asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 28th Karkatakam 1104 about the Kanapattom Bill, will the Government be pleased to state the steps taken by them to promote the progress of the Kanapattom Bill?

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): The Round Table Conference which was summoned in July 1929 for the purposes of the draft of the Jenmi Kudiyan Bill concluded its meetings on the 31st August 1929. A draft Bill to amend the Jenmi Kudiyan Regulation based on the decisions arrived at the Conference has been prepared and published in the Gazette dated the 14th January 1930 and it has been included in the list of business for the present Council meeting.

*Revision of Pay of the Vernacular School Teachers.*

61. **MR. D. FRANCIS** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the increase of pay sanctioned by Government for the teachers of Vernacular Schools has taken effect;

(*b*) if not, the cause of such great delay;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, whether the teachers who retired from service in 1104 will get the increase of pay sanctioned by Government for the period they served since the time the increase was sanctioned; and

(*d*) whether the teachers, if any, who died during the year 1104, would be considered eligible for the increase due for the period they were serving?

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